Period

   Defines the number of lines to skip between samples during periodic sampling. For example, a value of 2 will cause alternate lines to be sampled from the source table, starting with the second line. Only available if the **Periodic** option is selected. The maximum value that can be entered in this field is limited to the number of rows in the source table.

> ### ⓘ Tip
>
> Use the **Shrink / Expand** buttons next to the *Input range* and *Results to* fields if you need to shrink the dialog while selecting cells with the mouse.

Figure 332 shows the source table (below the *Source Data* heading) and the corresponding target table (under the *Target Data* heading), sampled using the settings shown in Figure 331.

	A	B	C
1	**Source Data**		
2	11	21	31
3	12	22	32
4	13	23	33
5	14	24	34
6	15	25	35
7	16	26	36
8	17	27	37
9	18	28	38
10	19	29	39
11			
12	**Target Data**		
13	12	22	32
14	14	24	34
15	16	26	36
16	18	28	38

Figure 332: Example data for the Sampling tool

Descriptive Statistics tool

Given a set of data, the Descriptive Statistics tool creates a tabular report of the data set's primary statistical properties, such as information about its central tendency and variability. Select **Data > Statistics > Descriptive Statistics** on the Menu bar to access the Descriptive Statistics dialog (Figure 333).